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for example, Microsoft Windows 95 (or an upward compatible version) or Windows NT 4.0 (or an upward compatible version). The operating system includes a file system 112. The computer 110 also runs a photo editing application 114 (Microsoft PictureIt!® is one example), which is compatible with the operating system. Digital images which are stored in the file system 112 are edited by the consumer 1 using the computer photo editing application 114. The edited images are uploaded to a photofinishing lab 130 and/or the third party fulfillment house 140, via the internet 120. The photofinishing lab 130 produces high quality images which are delivered to the consumer 1, via means other than the internet 120 (mail, courier, etc.). The third party fulfillment house 140 produces items, such as mugs, T-shirts, etc., with the desired image printed thereon, and provides the desired goods to the consumer 1, also via the other means. The photofinishing lab 130 and the third party fulfillment house 140 also provide pricing and merchandise availability information to the consumer 1 at the computer 110, via the internet 120.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 28, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--Figure 2 illustrates a network photo print system 200 in one embodiment of the present invention. The system 200 of Figure 2 includes a computer 210 (for example, a PC), a network sales server 220, an order processing server 222, a photofinishing lab 230, and a third party fulfillment house 240. The computer 210, which is operated by the consumer 1, includes an operating system, known to one of ordinary skill in the art, for example, Microsoft Windows 95 (or an upward compatible version) or Windows NT 4.0 (or an upward compatible version). The operating system includes a file system 212. The

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computer 210 also may run a photo editing application 215 (Microsoft PictureIt!® is one example), which is compatible with the operating system. Digital images which are stored in the file system 212 are edited by the consumer 1 using the computer photo editing application 214. The edited images are uploaded to the photofinishing lab 230 and/or the third party fulfillment house 240, via a Network Access Protocol (NAP) module 216, the network sales server 220 and the order processing server 222. The photofinishing lab 230 produces high quality images which are delivered to the consumer 1, via means other than the network sales server 220 and the order processing server 222 (mail, courier, etc.). The third party fulfillment house 240 also produces items such as mugs, T-shirts, etc., with the desired images printed thereon, and provides the desired goods to the consumer 1, also via other means. Similar to the conventional system, the photofinishing lab 230 and the third party fulfillment house 240 also provide pricing and merchandise availability information to the consumer 1, at the computer 210, via the network sales server 220 and the order processing server 222.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--The system 200, and more particularly, the NAP module 216, illustrated in Figure 2 provides an easy and flexible way for consumers to print digital photographs received and processed from a variety of different sources in a variety of different ways. As set forth above with respect to Figure 2, the NAP module 216 transfers digital images stored in the file system 212 and edited by consumer photo editing application 214 to the photofinishing lab 230 and the third party fulfillment house 240, so that the consumer 1 can obtain the

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desired images and products. The NAP module 216 also transfers digital information received directly from a digital still camera/scanner, via a DSC/scanner interface application. The NAP module 216 also transfers digital images stored in the file system 212, using a shell extension 219 to the operating system. The shell extension 219 permits a technique for providing a PRINT option on a PROPERTIES menu, available through a right mouse button click on a file. The shell extension 219 thus extends the operating interface, such that an option appears for image file icons on the PROPERTY menu and/or the FILE menu, such that consumers can print their photos without having to invoke a separate application program.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--As long as an order is open, the NAP module 216 provides the consumer 1 with an indication that reminds the consumer 1 of the open order. When the consumer 1 chooses to pass one of the stored or edited images, edited with the photo editing application 214, the desired image data is passed to the NAP module 216. When the consumer 1 is interacting with the network sales server module 220, the NAP module 216 passes the image information to the server module 220 which checks the image information for possible less-than-optimum quality reprints, due to resizing and cropping, and outputs an error message to the consumer 1 if necessary.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 10, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--Figure 3 is a flowchart which illustrates the operation of the NAP module 216 in more detail. In Step 302, the NAP module 216 receives digital information, representing a photographic image, from one or more of a consumer photo editing application 214, a DSC/Scanner interface application 218 and a shell extension 219. In Step 304, the NAP module 216 receives order and merchandise availability information from an external network entity, such as the network sales server 220. In Step 306, the NAP module 216 processes the order based on the photographic information received in Step 302 and the order/merchandise availability information received in Step 304. Finally, in Step 308, the NAP module 216 outputs or uploads the photographic information and the order information so that the network sales server 220, order processing server 222, photofinishing lab 230 and/or the third party fulfillment house 240 can provide a user with photographic images and/or merchandise with the photographic images imprinted thereon. Examples of these products include photographic reprints and enlargements, such as 4x6, 5x7, 8x10, package prints and template prints; compact discs (CDs) (or other computer media with photos stored thereon), photographic gifts, such as t-shirts, mugs, tote bags, mousepads, keychains, teddy bears, puzzles, and plates with photographic images printed thereon.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--The interaction between the NAP module 216 and the shell extension 219, which allows the consumer 1 to send pictures to be printed at a photofinishing lab 230 from the operating system (for example, the Windows File Explorer or the Windows "My Computer" window), will now be described in more detail. The three major entities in this transfer of